## RACING APPEALS AND DISCIPLINARY BOARD



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## **HEARING RESULT**

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FROM: Registrar – Racing Appeals and Disciplinary Board

**DATE:** 12 March 2015

SUBJECT: HEARING RESULT – TRAINER: ANTHONY FREEDMAN

Panel Judge Russell Lewis (Chair), Mr Stephen Curtain, Mr Darren McGee.

**Appearances** Mr Freedman appeared on his own behalf.

Mr James Ogilvy appeared on behalf of the stewards.

<u>Charge 1</u> Breach of AR 178

Subject to AR 178G, when any horse that has been brought to a racecourse for the purpose of engaging in a race and a prohibited substance is detected in any sample taken from it prior to or following its running in any race, the trainer and any other person who was in charge of such horse at any relevant time may be penalised.

The charge relates to a prohibited substance, dexamethasone, being detected in a pre-race urine sample taken from the horse *Minaj* following its running in Race 2 the *City Jeep Handicap* (1000m) at Moonee Valley on Saturday, 25 October 2014.

<u>Charge 2</u> Breach of AR 178F(1)

A trainer must keep, and retain for a period of twelve months, a record of

any treatment administered to any horse in his care.

<u>Plea</u> Charge 1 – guilty.

Charge 2 – guilty.

**Decision** Charge 1 – Mr Freedman convicted and fined \$4,000.

Charge 2 – Mr Freedman convicted and fined \$1,000.

A total of \$5,000 due on or before 30 April 2015.

Pursuant to AR 177 *Mina*j disqualified as 6<sup>th</sup> placegetter in Race 2 the *City Jeep Handicap* (1000m) at Moonee Valley on Saturday, 25 October 2014

and the places amended accordingly.

## TRANSCRIPT OF

**PROCEEDINGS** 

RACING APPEALS AND DISCIPLINARY BOARD

HIS HONOUR JUDGE R.P.L. LEWIS, Chairman MR S. CURTAIN MR D. McGEE

**EXTRACT OF PROCEEDINGS** 

**DECISION** 

IN THE MATTER OF THE CITY JEEP HANDICAP OVER 1000 METRES AT MOONEE VALLEY ON 25/10/14

TRAINER: ANTHONY FREEDMAN

**MELBOURNE** 

**THURSDAY, 12 MARCH 2015** 

MR  $\,$  J. OGILVY appeared on behalf of the RVL Stewards

MR A. FREEDMAN appeared on his own behalf

CHAIRMAN: In this case, in relation to Charge 1 and indeed Charge 2, the Board takes into account Mr Freedman's plea of guilty and the fact that he has changed his system, but nevertheless takes into account of course that he had a warning back in November 2013 which is not a previous conviction but nevertheless is a warning.

In the circumstances, in relation to Charge 1, a financial penalty of \$4000 is imposed. In relation to Charge 2, the failing to record, the Board is of the view that the principle of general deterrence should be borne steadily in mind and that the message should go out to trainers that a breach of AR 178F is regarded seriously. In the circumstances, the financial penalty in relation to that matter is \$1000, a total of \$5000 in all, the sum of \$5000 to be paid on or before 30 April 2015.

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